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Fight Against

Inflation



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The best inflation fighter in Canada is you.

When you shop around and shop carefully, you're fighting inflation. When you turn off a light or lower the thermostat, you're fighting inflation. When you work to understand the real problems, to learn where high prices come from, how higher prices and higher wage demands feed on each other, you're fighting inflation.

You can also fight inflation by knowing who is responsible for the different parts of the prices, profits and income control program. Because then you can apply pressure where it does the most good. You can ask questions. And get answers.

Canada is a nation with many jurisdictions. The Anti-Inflation Program, announced by the Federal Government on October 14, 1975, applies in all these jurisdictions. But it falls to various authorities in different places to implement the controls.

Every corporation, government department, organization or institution that sells a product or service, or that levies charges of any kind, has a responsibility to observe the spirit of the anti-inflation guidelines. This doesn't mean that they are not allowed to raise their prices, fees or charges. The Anti-Inflation Program is not a price freeze program. But any increase in prices or charges should arise only out of increased costs in producing the product or service being sold.

This booklet is intended as a guide for your personal fight against inflation. If you notice a price increase that seems unreasonable or unjustified, you should complain about it. You should find out the reasons for the increase. If the reasons are not good, you should bring the matter to the attention of the authorities.

The authorities in various areas of public and private commerce are listed in this booklet. As you probably know, the federal government has established an Anti-Inflation Board which has the power to monitor prices in much of the private sector. But the AIB does not control everything. When the Anti-Inflation Program was announced, there were already many regulatory agencies in existence with authority over the rates of companies in certain areas of the economy. These agencies have retained their authority, but have been asked to see that rate increases conform to the anti-inflation guidelines.

Similarly, the federal and provincial governments have kept to themselves the responsibility to determine tax rates and public pension and insurance rates and certain other charges for non-commercial services. And municipalities retain responsibility for setting certain rates, such as public transit fares, property taxes and public parking charges.

If you need information about prices or taxes or fees, or if you want to complain, whom should you ask? How can you find the right address?

How to use this booklet

On pages 4 to 5 of this pamphlet you will find a list of products and services which you, as a consumer, will normally have reason to buy. Or charges which, as a taxpayer, you will be subject to.

If you have a question about any increase in prices or charges, first get in touch with the company, government or organization that instituted the increase. If you are not satisfied with the reply, consult the list of products and services to find the one which relates to the increase you are concerned about (rents or taxes or electricity rates or food prices or public transit fares, etc.). Here you will find a reference telling you whether the area of

activity falls within the jurisdiction of the Anti-Inflation Board, or the federal government, or provincial governments, or some regulatory agency.

Starting on Page 6 is a list of addresses for the AIB and government ministries or agencies that have responsibility, under the Anti-Inflation Program, to control certain prices. If the price you are concerned about falls within a federal jurisdiction, write the appropriate ministry or agency. If it is a provincial matter, or a municipal one, you will find under the name of each province or territory the addresses of the major departments or provincial agencies that have regulatory responsibility for prices and rates.

In other words, this is your anti-inflation address book—your Directory. If you have a problem with prices, use it often and make your opinions count. The harder you fight inflation, the sooner the battle will be won.

Products and services

For information about: Air fares

Air freight charges

Bank charges

Cable TV rates

Clothing & Footwear prices*
Construction prices
Consumer products prices*
Educational fees
Electricity rates
Food prices**
Gasoline, fuel prices

Health service charges Highway freight charges Highway passenger fares Industrial materials prices* Insurance & pension rates, public*** Insurance rates, private Interest rates, private Licences, entertainment

Licences, food & beverage

Licences, motor vehicle Liquor prices Lotteries Mortgage rates Natural gas rates Parking rates (public lots)

Pharmaceutical prices* Professional fees Property taxes**** Contact: Canadian Transport Commission (Federal) Canadian Transport Commission (Federal) Anti-Inflation Board (Federal) Canadian Radio-Television Commission (Federal) AIB (Federal) AIB (Federal) AIB (Federal) Provincial Govt. Provincial Govt. AIB (Federal) **Energy Supplies** Allocation Board (Federal) Provincial Govt. Provincial Govt. Provincial Govt. AIB (Federal) Federal Govt. Provincial Govt. AIB (Federal) AIB (Federal) (Municipal) Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs (Municipal) Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs Provincial Govt. Provincial Govt. Provincial Govt. AIB (Federal) Provincial Govt. (Municipal) Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs AIB (Federal) AIB (Federal) (Municipal) Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs

Public transit, local (bus, metro)

Railway fares

Railway freight charges

Rents Shipping rates Taxation rates'

Taxi rates

Telegraph rates

Telephone rates

Union dues Utilities Water rates

(Municipal) Provincial Dep't of

Mun. Affairs Canadian Transport

Commission (Federal) Canadian Transport Commission (Federal)

Provincial Govt. AIB (Federal) Federal Dept. of

Finance: Provincial depts. of

Finance (Municipal)

Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs

Canadian Radio-Television

Commission (Federal) For Que., Ont., B.C., Yukon and N.W.T.-

Canadian Radio-Television

Commission (Federal); For others-Provincial Govts.

AIB (Federal) Provincial (Municipal)

Provincial Dep't of Mun. Affairs

**There is no control on food prices "at the farm gate". The profits of large food distributors are controlled by AIB.

***Public pension and insurance rates that are actuarially determined are not subject to control.

****Taxation rates are not controlled under the program, but governments have expressed their willingness to observe the spirit of the guidelines while setting appropriate fiscal policies to meet public sector needs.

Anti-Inflation Board, **National Office**

Box 1750 Station B Ottawa, Ont. K1P 6B1

telephone 996-1072

^{*}The AIB monitors price movements in the private sector, but only for larger companies (over 500 employees) or in specified industries (e.g. construction).

Anti-Inflation Board, Regional Offices

Atlantic:

Box 1673 telephone
Main Terminal 426-7910

Halifax, N.S. B3J 2Z1

Québec:

C.P. 15930 téléphone Bureau de poste central 694-7785

Québec (Qué.) G1K 7X2

Montréal:

C.P. 6059 téléphone Succursale A 283-3895

Montréal (Qué.) H3C 3A7

Ontario:

Box 4260, Station A telephone
Toronto, Ont. 369-3975

M5W 1V9

Prairies:

Box 9950telephoneMain Terminal985-6285

Winnipeg, Man.

R3C 3A4

British Columbia: outside
Box 30, Station A Vancouver
Vancouver. B.C. telephone

V6C 2L8 544-6801 from Vancouver only 666-6801

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

General Enquiry:

Your Member of Parliament Parliament Buildings Ottawa, Ont.

KIA 0A6

Air, Rail Rates:

Canadian Transport Commission (CTC) 275 Slater St.

Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0N9

Consumer Products:

Consumer & Corporate Affairs Consumer Services Branch Box 99 Ottawa, Ont. K1N 8P9

Atlantic Region: 6th Floor, Montreal Tower 5151 George St. Halifax, N.S. B3J 1M5

Québec Région 1200 Place Dupuis 855, rue Ste-Catherine E. Montréal (Qué.) H2L 4N4

Ontario Region: 706 Global House 480 University Ave. Toronto, Ont. M5G 1V2

Prairie Region: 300-303 Main St. Canadian Grain Comm. Bldg. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 3G7

Pacific Region:
Dept. of Consumer and Corp. Affairs
Box 10059, Pacific Centre
700 W. Georgia St.
Vancouver, B.C.
V7Y 1C9

Energy Mines & Resources:

National Energy Board Trebla Building 473 Albert St. Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0E5

Fuel:

Energy Supplies Allocation Board (ESAB) 219 Laurier W. P.O. Box 2578 Station D Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5W6 Mortgage Rates, Public:

Central Mortgage & Housing Corp. (CMHC) Montreal Rd. Ottawa. Ont.

K1A 0P7

Taxation:

Department of Finance Place Bell Canada 160 Elgin St. Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0G5

Telecommunications, Cable TV:

Canadian Radio-Television Commission (CRTC), Berger Building 100 Metcalfe St.

Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0N2

NEWFOUNDLAND

All Consumer Products:

Consumer Affairs Bureau Dept. Provincial Affairs & Environment Confederation Bldg., P.O. Box 4750 St. John's, Nfld. A1C 5T7

Hydro:

Newfoundland Light and Power Co. Ltd. Kenmount Rd., P.O. Box 8910 St. John's, Nfld. A1B 3P6

Municipal Taxes:

Contact municipality.

Provincial Taxes:

Tax Information Dept. of Finance Confederation Bldg. St. John's, Nfld.

Rents:

Landlord Tenants Relations Div. Dept. Provincial Affairs & Environment Confederation Bldg., P.O. Box 4750 St. John's, Nfld. AIC 5T7

Telephone:

Newfoundland Telephone Co. Duckworth St., P.O. Box 2110 St. John's, Nfld. A1C 5H6

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Highway Transport Rates:

Public Utilities Commission

P.O. Box 577

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7X1

Hospital, Nursing Home Charges:

Division of Consumer

P.O. Box 2000

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7N8

Hvdro:

Public Utilities Commission

P.O. Box 577

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7X1

Liquor:

P.E.I. Liquor Control Commission

P.O. Box 967

Charlottetown, P.E.I. C1A 7M4

Motor Vehicles:

Registrar of Motor Vehicles

P.O. Box 2000

Charlottetown, P.E.I. C1A 7N8

Municipal Taxes:

Contact municipality

Rents:

Rentalsman

147 Pownal St.

Charlottetown, P.E.I. C1A 3W7

Taxes:

Minister of Finance

P.O. Box 2000

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7N8

Telephone & Telecommunications:

Public Utilities Commission

P.O. Box 577

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7X1

Other Gov't Charges:

Minister of Finance

P.O. Box 2000

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

C1A 7N8

NOVA SCOTIA

Municipal Enquiries:

Department of Municipal Affairs

Box 216

Halifax, N.S.

B3J 2M4

Consumer Products:

Consumer Services Bureau

Box 998

Halifax, N.S.

B3J 2X3

Health Services:

Health Services and Insurance Comm.

Suite 311

Lord Nelson Bldg.

Halifax, N.S.

B3J1H2

Hydro:

Nova Scotia Power Corporation

Scotia Square

P.O. Box 910

Halifax, N.S.

B3J 2W5

Liquor:

Nova Scotia Liquor Commission

6716 Young St.

P.O. Box 968

Halifax, N.S. B3J 2W8

Motor Vehicles:

Registry of Motor Vehicles

Department of Highways

6061 Young St.

Halifax, N.S. B3K 2A3

Provincial Taxes:

Nova Scotia Provincial Tax Commission

Johnston Bldg.

5182 Prince St.

Box 755

Halifax, N.S.

B3J 2V4

Rents:

Rent Review Commission

1599 Hollis St.

Box 820

Halifax, N.S. B3J 2V2

Residential Tenancies Boards:

Halifax:

see Rent Review Commission

Northern Counties:

58 Willow St.

Truro, N.S. B2N 4Z6

Strait & Eastern Counties:

Rooms 111-113

Dormitory Bldg.

Canso Vocational School

Port Hawkesbury, N.S. B0E 2V0

Western Counties:

Provincial Bldg.

Starr's Road

Yarmouth, N.S.

Valley:

233-234 Provincial Bldg.

120 Exhibition St.

Kentville, N.S. B4N 1C4

Cape Breton and Victoria Counties:

278 George St.

Sydney, N.S. B1P 1J6

Residential Tenancies Officer

188 Churchill St.

Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1S3

Telecommunications:

Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co. Ltd.

1520 Hollis St.

Halifax, N.S.

B3J 1V2

NEW BRUNSWICK

General Enquiry

Prices and Incomes Bureau

Dept. of Finance

P.O. Box 6000

Fredericton, N.B.

E3B 5H1

Consumer Products:

Provincial Consumer Bureau

P.O. Box 6000

Fredericton, N.B.

E3B 5H1

or

P.O. Box 1428 Moncton, N.B. E1C 8T6

or

P.O. Box 6458 Station "A" Saint John, N.B. E2L 4R9

Hvdro:

N.B. Electric Power Commission 527 King Street Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4X1

Liquor:

New Brunswick Liquor Corporation Old Wilsey Rd. Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5B8

Motor Vehicle Licences:

Motor Vehicle Bureau Dept. of Provincial Secretary P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1

Municipal Taxes and Charges:

Contact municipality concerned, or, Department of Municipal Affairs P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1

Provincial Taxes:

Taxation & Fiscal Policy Branch Department of Finance P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1

Rents:

Any Regional Assessment Office of the Dept. of Municipal Affairs,

or,

Chief Rent Review Officer Dept. of Municipal Affairs P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1

Telephone and Other Utilities:

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities 110 Charlotte St. Saint John, N.B. F2L 2J4

QUÉBEC

Régie des mesures anti-inflationnistes

General Enquiry:

873-6268

25, rue St-Louis Québec, Qué. G1R 3Y8 643-7952 Régie des mesures anti-inflationnistes 10 est, rue Craig Édifice du Palais de justice 6e étage

ONTARIO

Gasoline:

Information Officer Ministry of Energy 12th floor 56 Wellesley St. W. Toronto, Ont. M7A 2B7

Montréal (Qué.) H2Y 1A2

Hospitals:

Communications Branch Ministry of Health 9th floor Hepburn Block 80 Grosvenor St. Toronto, Ont. M7A 1S2

Hydro:

Ontario Hydro Commission 700 University Ave. Toronto, Ont. M5G 1X6

Liquor:

Liquor Control Board 55 Lakeshore Blvd. E. Toronto, Ont. M5E 1A4 Motor Vehicle Registration:

Drivers and Vehicles Branch Ministry of Transportation and Communications 1201 Wilson Ave. Downsview, Ont. M3M 1J8

Municipal Taxes:

Treasurer of Municipality or, for further information,

Ministry of Treasury Economics and Intergovernmental Affairs Municipal Finance Branch 5th floor, Frost Building S. Toronto, Ont. M7A 1Y7

(and its regional offices)

Natural Gas:

Ontario Energy Board 9th floor 14 Carleton St. Toronto, Ont. M5B 1K2

Pensions, Securities, Insurance, Lotteries:

Consumer Protection Bureau Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations 555 Yonge St. Toronto, Ont. M7A 2H6

Provincial Taxes:

Office of the Provincial Coordinator Anti-Inflation Program 6th floor Frost Bldg. S. Queens Park Toronto, Ont. M7A 1Y7

Rents:

Ontario Rent Review Box 5370 Postal Station A Toronto, Ont. M5W 1N6

MANITOBA

Highway Transport:

Highway Traffic & Motor Transport Board 1075 Portage Ave. Winnipeg, Man. R3G 0S1

Hydro:

Manitoba Hydro Box 815 Winnipeg, Man. R3C 2P4

Insurance Rates, Public:

Manitoba Public Ins. Corp. Winnipeg Office 6th floor, 330 Portage Ave. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 3E9

Liquor:

Manitoba Liquor Control Commission 1555 Buffalo Place Fort Garry, Man. R3T 1L9

Motor Vehicles:

Motor Vehicle Branch 1075 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, Man. R3G 0S1

Municipal Charges:

Secretary-Treasurer of Municipality or, for further information Department of Municipal Affairs Legislative Building Winnipeg, Man. R3C 0V8

Assessment 13th Floor 405 Broadway Ave. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 3L6

Budget & Finance 116 Edmonton St. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 1R2

Consumer Products:

Consumers Bureau 210 Osborne St. N. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 1V4

Rents: Manitoba Rent Review Board

Room 203 379 Broadway Ave. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 0V3

Taxi Fares:

The Taxicab Board Highway Services Bldg. 1075 Portage Ave. Winnipeg, Man. R3G 0S1

Telephone:

Manitoba Telephone System 489 Empress St. Winnipeg, Man. R3C 0A2

Utilities:

The Public Utilities Board 379 Broadway Winnipeg, Man. R3C 0V3

SASKATCHEWAN

Government Charges: i.e. Provincial Dept., Crown Corp., Municipalities, School Boards, Hospitals, Public Clinics, Nursing Homes.

> Saskatchewan Public Sector Price & Compensation Board 3505 Albert St.

Regina, Sask, S4S 3P3

565-2920

Highway Transport:

Saskatchewan Transportation Co. 2041 Hamilton St. Regina, Sask. S4P 2E2 Highway Traffic Board 1736 Scarth St.

Regina, Sask.

S4P 0S2

Hvdro:

Saskatchewan Power Corporation Saskatchewan Power Bldg. Victoria & Scarth

Regina, Sask.

Insurance Rates:

Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office 2215-11th Ave.

Regina, Sask. S4P 0J9

Rents:

Office of the Rentalsman 1350 Osler St. Regina, Sask. S4R 1W7

Telephone:

Saskatchewan Telecommunications SASKTEL 2350 Albert St. Regina, Sask. S4P 2Y5

ALBERTA

Auto Insurance:

Automobile Insurance Board 9th floor, Petroleum Plaza North Tower 9945 – 108th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5K 2G6

Consumer Products:

Consumer Affairs Branch Department of Consumer Affairs 9915 – 108th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5K 2H7

Health Services:

Alberta Hospital Services Commission 9945 – 108th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5J 2P4

Highway Transport:

Motor Transport Branch Dept. of Transportation 2nd floor, Boardwalk Edmonton, Alta.

Insurance Enquiries:

Insurance and Real Estate Branch Dept. of Consumer Affairs 9915 – 108th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5K 2H7

Liquor:

Alberta Liquor Control Board Information Officer Box 2360 Edmonton, Alta. T5J 2R4

Motor Vehicles:

Motor Vehicle Branch
Department of Transportation
Licensing, Administration and Information
10th floor, Park Square
10001 Bellamy Hill
Edmonton, Alta.

Rents:

Rent Regulation Appeal Board 9915-108th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5K 2G8 Calgary Regional Office Suite 263 1636-14th Avenue N.W. Calgary, Alta. T2N 1M7 Medicine Hat Regional Office 770 – 6th Street S.W. Medicine Hat, Alta, T1A 4J6 Grande Prairie Regional Office Room 307 9905-100th Street Grande Prairie, Alta. T8V 2L8 Red Deer Regional Office P.O. Box 5002 Red Deer, Alta. T4N 5Y5 Lethbridge Regional Office Room 510 740-4th Avenue S. Lethbridge, Alta. T1J 0N9

Taxation:

Treasury Department Room 404 9515 – 107th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5K 2C1

Utilities:

Public Utilities Board 10055 – 106th Street Edmonton, Alta. T5J 2Y2

BRITISH COLUMBIA

General Enquiry:

Department of Consumer Services Parliament Buildings Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

Auto Insurance:

General Manager I.C.B.C. P.O. Box 11131, Royal Centre Vancouver, B.C. V6E 3R4

Consumer Products:

Department of Consumer Services Storefront Offices: 838 Fort Street Victoria, B.C. V8W 1H8 204-370 East Broadway Ave. Kingsgate Mall Vancouver, B.C. V5T 4G5 124 Sevmour Street

Kamloops, B.C. V2C 2E1 395 Victoria Street Prince George, B.C. V2L 2J6

Energy:

B.C. Energy Commission 1177 West Hastings St. Vancouver, B.C. V6E 2L7

Health Services:

Medical Services Commission Parliament Bldgs. Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

Highway Transport:

Suite 501 Kapilano 100 Park Royal West Vancouver, B.C. V7T 1A2

Hydro:

B.C. Hydro, 970 Burrard St. Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 1Y3 Liquor:

Liquor Administration Branch 3200 East Broadway Ave. Vancouver, B.C. V5M 17.6

Motor Vehicle Registration:

Superintendent Motor Vehicle Branch Parliament Bldgs. Victoria, B.C. V8V 2H3

Rents:

Rentalsman, 525 Seymour St. Vancouver, B.C. V6B 2H7 Rent Review Commission 1190 Melville St. Vancouver, B.C. V6B 4G3

Taxation:

Department of Finance Parliament Bldgs. Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

YUKON

General Enquiry:

Statistical and Planning Advisor Government of Yukon Territories Box 2703 Whitehorse, Yukon Terr. Y1A 2C6

Whitehorse, Yukon Terr. YIA 20

Hydro:

Yukon Electrical Public Utilities Board Box 2703 Whitehorse, Yukon Terr. Y1A 2C6

N.W.T.

General Enquiry:

Chief, Consumer Division
Department of Public Services
P.O. Box 1320
Government of the Northwest Territories
Yellowknife, N.W.T. X0E 1H0

